



## FARMERS MARKET

**SUNDAYS IN APRIL • 8 AM - 1 PM**

Shopping at the Town's Farmer's Market is a great way to buy local produce and goods. During the month of April, the Town hosts a booth and invites non-profits and service providers to share information on how their organization helps create a clean, green, and beautiful Los Gatos Community.

Farmers Market is located on Montebello Way near the corner of Main St. and North Santa Cruz Ave. Join us for the following featured visitors & events in April:

**APRIL 6**

### WEST VALLEY COLLECTION & RECYCLING

Are you making the most of your curbside recycling services? Stop by the booth to learn more about what can go in the bin.

[www.WestValleyRecycles.com](http://www.WestValleyRecycles.com)

**APRIL 13**

### PG&E VEGETATION PROGRAM

The PG&E Vegetation Program will join us to share tips about planting the right trees in the right place.

[www.pge.com](http://www.pge.com)

**APRIL 27**

### WEST VALLEY CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

Want to get rid of old batteries & cell phones? Bring them to the West Valley Clean Water Program booth for easy recycling. Help WVCWP in keeping waterways & the SF Bay "pollutant-free".

[www.cleancreeks.org](http://www.cleancreeks.org)

**LOS GATOS PARKS (9-11am)**

Learn about your Los Gatos Parks & Trails! Find out what you can do to help protect and maintain the parks, trails, & wildlife in your community, including opportunities for Interpretative Programs in local schools, non-profit groups, and in our parks!

[www.losgatosca.gov/parksandtrails](http://www.losgatosca.gov/parksandtrails)

**TOWN OF LOS GATOS**

Stop by the booth each week to learn more about Keep Los Gatos Beautiful Month. We will also have a limited number of reusable bags to give away.

## ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

**FRIDAY, APRIL 25 • 10:00 A.M. • BACHMAN PARK**

The Town of Los Gatos has been named a *Tree City USA* by the National Arbor Day Foundation for over 30 years. This award represents our commitment to preserve and enhance the Town's urban forests. Celebrate with us at our annual Arbor Day tree planting event at Bachman Park. For more information, contact Parks & Public Works at (408) 399-5770.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

Celebrate the beauty of Los Gatos by capturing it with your camera lens. The Chamber's 8th annual photo contest is well under way and looking for contributions from our community. Photographers of all ages are encouraged to participate. The submission deadline is May 15.

[www.LosGatosChamber.com](http://www.LosGatosChamber.com)

## COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
9:00 AM

The LGCF Beautification Committee meets the first Saturday of each month for "Clean Up Saturdays," and invites you to come along! Bring gloves, shovels and brooms, and meet at the Los Gatos Roasting Company at 9 am.

[www.LosGatosCommunityFoundation.org](http://www.LosGatosCommunityFoundation.org)

## CHILDREN'S EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

THURSDAY, APRIL 17  
4:00 PM

Join us as we discover animals from different parts of the world with Wild Things, Inc. Children 5 and up are invited to take part in this special event in the brand new Children's Room of the Los Gatos Library. Wild Things, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides homes for displaced wildlife and shares the animals with the community as ambassadors. [www.WildThingsInc.org](http://www.WildThingsInc.org)

## GOING NATIVE GARDEN TOUR

SUNDAY APRIL 27  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Join the Master Gardeners of Santa Clara County for a Native Garden Tour. There are many gardens to tour including several in and around Los Gatos. [www.GNGT.org](http://www.GNGT.org)

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**National River Cleanup Day**  
**Saturday, May 17th 9am - Noon**  
**[www.CleanACreek.org](http://www.CleanACreek.org)**



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# Recycle!

## What can you recycle? Some tips from West Valley Collection & Recycling...



# RECYCLABLES

Please place all recyclable items in your **recyclables** cart or bin.



\*Materials accepted under this program may be subject to change based on market conditions

### LOCAL RESOURCES

TOWN OF LOS GATOS [WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV](http://WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV)

WEST VALLEY COLLECTION & RECYCLING [WWW.WESTVALLEYRECYCLES.COM](http://WWW.WESTVALLEYRECYCLES.COM)

WEST VALLEY CLEAN WATER PROGRAM [WWW.CLEANCREEKS.ORG](http://WWW.CLEANCREEKS.ORG)

BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES [WWW.BAYWISE.ORG](http://WWW.BAYWISE.ORG)

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT (408)265-2600 OR [WWW.SCVWD.COM](http://WWW.SCVWD.COM)

SANTA CLARA COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM (408) 299-7300 OR [WWW.HHW.ORG](http://WWW.HHW.ORG)

SANTA CLARA COUNTY CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT OF RECYCLING (800) 533-8414 OR [WWW.RECYCLESTUFF.ORG](http://WWW.RECYCLESTUFF.ORG)

## Bring Your Own Mug

VISIT THESE LOS GATOS CAFES WITH YOUR REUSABLE MUG & SAVE

**25¢ off**

**Great Bear Coffee**

19 N. Santa Cruz Avenue

**Purple Onion Café - 2 Locations**

26 E. Main Street

14107 Winchester Blvd. suite r

**10¢ off**

**Peet's Coffee & Tea**

798 Blossom Hill Rd

### A Greener Business Community

Many Los Gatos businesses are taking steps to reduce resource consumption, save money and become more sustainable through their daily business practices. Several have even become certified as a Green Business through the Santa Clara County Green Biz Program, or are voluntarily participating in commercial composting through West Valley Collection & Recycling.

For a list of participating businesses, visit the Town's Growing Greener webpage today at: [WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV/GrowingGreener](http://WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV/GrowingGreener).

To become a Green Biz, or learn more about the certification process visit:

[WWW.GreenBiz.SCCgov.org](http://WWW.GreenBiz.SCCgov.org).

### REUSABLE BAGS

Recent studies have shown the average plastic bag is used for 12 minutes then discarded; and, less than 5% of all plastic bags in California are recycled. Make a difference in our community by choosing to use reusable bags while shopping in Los Gatos. Stop by the Keep Los Gatos Beautiful booth at Farmer's Market throughout the month of April and pick up a FREE reusable bag while supplies last.

**JOIN THE CHANGE** Starting February 3, 2014 customers in Los Gatos need to bring their own reusable bags or purchase a recycled paper bag or reusable bag for 10 cents per bag from retail stores in Los Gatos. The Single-Use Carry-Out Bag Ordinance was approved by the Town Council after considering an Environmental Impact Report in which Los Gatos joined 23 other cities to study the effects of single-use plastic bags on the environment. The intent of the ordinance is to reduce the environmental impacts and pollution from plastic bags, reduce waste, and promote a shift towards reusable bags as a Zero Waste measure. The Ordinance also helps the Town meet requirements to reduce plastic bags found in waterways under the Municipal Stormwater Permit issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. The focus of the Ordinance is to get customers to shop with reusable bags to save natural resources and reduce waste.

GROW GREENER WITH US! LEARN MORE AT:

[WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV/GROWINGGREENER](http://WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV/GROWINGGREENER)



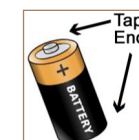
### Doing your Spring Cleaning? Want to get rid of old batteries, cell phones, & eyeglasses?



Bring them to our booth at the LG Farmer's Market on April 27th & WVCWP will take care of recycling them for you. *(Please tape both ends of batteries, for safety).*

West Valley Clean Water Program is the Stormwater Pollution Prevention agency for the Town of Los Gatos, *(and Cities of Campbell, Monte Sereno & Saratoga)*. Help us keep our water clean by proper disposal of mercury-containing products, like batteries and phones.

Get info about mercury:  
[WWW.MYWATERSHEDWATCH.ORG/preventmercury](http://WWW.MYWATERSHEDWATCH.ORG/preventmercury)



### Local Living

The Town of Los Gatos boasts miles of walkable trails, acres of beautiful parks, and hundreds of shops and restaurants making our Town a true gem of the Silicon Valley. By taking advantage of these local amenities, your family can make a positive impact on our environment while enjoying the very best this valley has to offer.

*shop, dine & play*

**Mountain Lion Awareness** The Bay Area Puma Project & Felidae Fund Organization will be giving a Community Presentation at the Los Gatos Library about living with Mountain Lions throughout the Bay Area and to increase awareness on mountain lion ecology and on-going research. Check with the Los Gatos library website for date & time. [WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV/library](http://WWW.LOSGATOSCA.GOV/library)